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For: TREATED TEXTILE ARTICLE HAVING IMPROVED MOISTURE TRANSPORT

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Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131

I, Richard Barnhardt, declare that:

- 1. I am the technical director of Apollo Chemical Corporation, the assignee of the above-referenced invention.
- 2. Exhibit A is a true and exact copy of a page from a laboratory notebook prepared on November 4, 1999 by Randall L. Rayborn.
- 3. Exhibit A shows the manufacture of Treatment Agent Sample 1 as claimed and described by the present application. Table 5, and its accompanying description, as contained in the present application shows the ingredients, amounts, and synthesis methods used to make Ireatment Sample Agent 1. Table 5, and its accompanying description, are virtually identical to the ingredients, amounts, and synthesis methods contained in Exhibit A. The composition "2,2'-[1,2 ethanediylbis (oxy)] bis [ethaneamine]" identified in Table 5, is identified as "Huntsman XTJ-504" in Exhibit A. The composition "oxirane, methyl-, polymer with oxirane, bis (2-aminopropyl) ether" identified in Table 5 is identified as "Huntsman XTJ-502" In Exhibit A. Hexanedioic acid, the acid identified in Table 5, is the IUPAC systematic name for adipic acid, the acid identified in the Exhibit A.

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4. I acknowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. All statements made on my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Barnhardt

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Exhibit A

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WITNESS